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FEATHERED ASSASSINS

THE GOLDEN SPARROW

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THE NEXT DAY. PINGKANG MANSION.
SORRY, WE'RE FULL TODAY.
PLEASE MAKE A RESERVAT ION NEXT TIME.
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"THE BIRO FLIES NO MORE"
!
MY SINCEREST APOLOGIES! PLEASE, FOLLOW ME.

OUR HONOREO GUEST HAS ARRIVEO...
STAND!
STAND!
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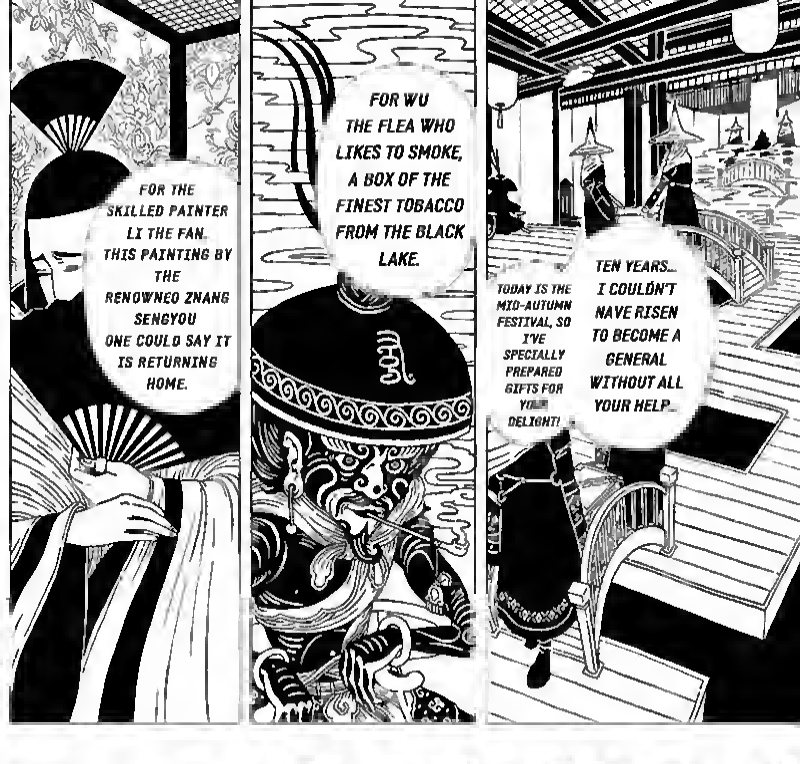
YES...
INTRODU-
CING,
The Jinwu
General


FOR THE SKILLED PAINTER LI THE FAN. THIS PAINTING BY THE RENOWNED ZHANG SENGYOU ONE COULD SAY IT IS RETURNING HOME.
FOR WU THE FLEA WHO LIKES TO SMOKE, A BOX OF THE FINEST TOBACCO FROM THE BLACK LAKE.
TODAY IS THE MID-AUTUMN FESTIVAL, SO I'VE SPECIALLY PREPARED GIFTS FOR YOUR DELIGHT!
TEN YEARS... I COULDN'T HAVE RISEN TO BECOME A GENERAL WITHOUT ALL YOUR HELP...

FOR THE FAMEO ANO OECADENT BEAUTY OUAN XIAOFANG, NATURALLY, PERFUME FROM THE WEST CITY IS MOST FITTING...
FOR THE HUNTER BEAR WARRIOR. A WEAPON FIT FOR A TRUE WARRIOR.A SPECIALLY MADE RAPIO-FIRE CROSSBOW.
FOR POISON LADY. SAVER OF COUHTLESS LIVES, THE COLLECTED WORKS OF THE LI FAMILY FROM CANZHOU'S "POISON ALMANAC".

FOR THE KUNLUN BROTHERS, A CHEST OF JEWELS. I HOPE YOU ENJOY THEM.

THE GOVERNOR OF HUAINAN CITY AND SIMA TAI IN SHOUZHOU DIED AT YOUR HANDS, AM I RIGHT? AS THAT IS THE CASE...
AND FINALLY, THE NEWLY-ARRIVED ITINERANT MONK.
YOU MONKS REALLY ARE SOMETHING ELSE!
HA HA HA!
THEN I'LL NOT STAND ON CEREMONY.
IF THE GENERAL HAS SOMETHING TO SAY, PERHAPS HE COULD COME STRAIGHT OUT AND SAY IT.
I AM BUT A NEWCOMER GENERAL. I HAVE NOT DONE ANYTHING TO DESERVE SUCH A GIFT.
I'M AFRAID I CANNOT ACCEPT.
A PARDONING. I HOPE IT PLEASES YOU...
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TAKE A LOOK AT THIS!

I TRUST EVERYONE IS FAMILIAR WITH THE CASE OF THE GOLDEN SPARROW.
THIS ASSASSIN PREYS EXCLUSIVELY ON OTHER KILLERS. AFTER THE DEED, HE ALWAYS LEAVES BEHIND THE WORDS:I SHALL NOT REST UNTIL YAN PO APPEARS...
THERE'S NO DOUBT THAT THIS IS A REVENGE KILLING, AND IT'S EXTREMELY LIKELY THAT THIS ASSASSIN IS ONE OF CHANG'AN'S OWN...
ALL THE CITY'S MOST REKNOWNED KILLERS ARE PRESENT IN THIS ROOM.ANY THOUGHTS?

I DON'T KNOW OF ANYGOLDEN SPARROW, BUT I HAVE HEARD THE NAME YAN PO...
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ONE, TNIS CASE NAPPENED A NUNDRED YEARS AGO. YAN PO MUST NAVE LONG SINCE DIED.
TWO, SUPPOSING SNE IS STILL ALIVE AND IS ABLE TO SNAPE-SNIFT, FINDING HER WILL BE NO EASY FEAT...
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IT'S SAID THAT A YOUNG ASSASSIN GIRL BY THE NAME OF YAN PO WAS RESPONSI-BLE.
THE HUANGS HAD MASTERED ONE OF THE FOUR TREACHEROUS ARTS – SHAPE-SHIFTING BUT THEY WERE ALL KILLED IN A SINGLE NIGHT!
TNIS STORY IS SIGNIFICANT FOR TWO REASONS
JUST AS YOU WERE TALKING OF A REVENGE KILLING
I THOUGHT OF AN OLD STORY.
IT'S SAID THAT IN THE FIRST YEAR OF TANG YONGTAI'S REIGN, THE HUANG FAMILY IN EZHOU WAS WIPED OUT IN A FIRE!

I WAS VERY YOUNG WHEN I HEARD THE STORY GENERAL, FEEL FREE TO IGNORE WHAT I'VE SAID.
I DON'T CARE HOW YOU DO IT. BUT I WANT THIS DEALT WITH WITHIN THE NEXT THREE DAYS!
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SURE ENOUGH. TODAY HAS NOT BEEN WASTED.
SINCE THIS VENDETTA IS CONFINED WITHIN THE CRIMINAL WORLD. I MYSELF WILL NOT INTERFERE.

NEXT MONTH MY BROTHER WILL TAKE IN HIS LAST BATCH OF STUDENTS... I HAVE TO GO...
EH...
I'M OPENING A NEW APOTHECARY IN JAPAN...
WE BOTH HAVE WEDDINGS PLANNED BACK IN OUR HOMETOWN...
ATTACK!
HUH!

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BITE!
CLANG!
CLANG!
CLANG!
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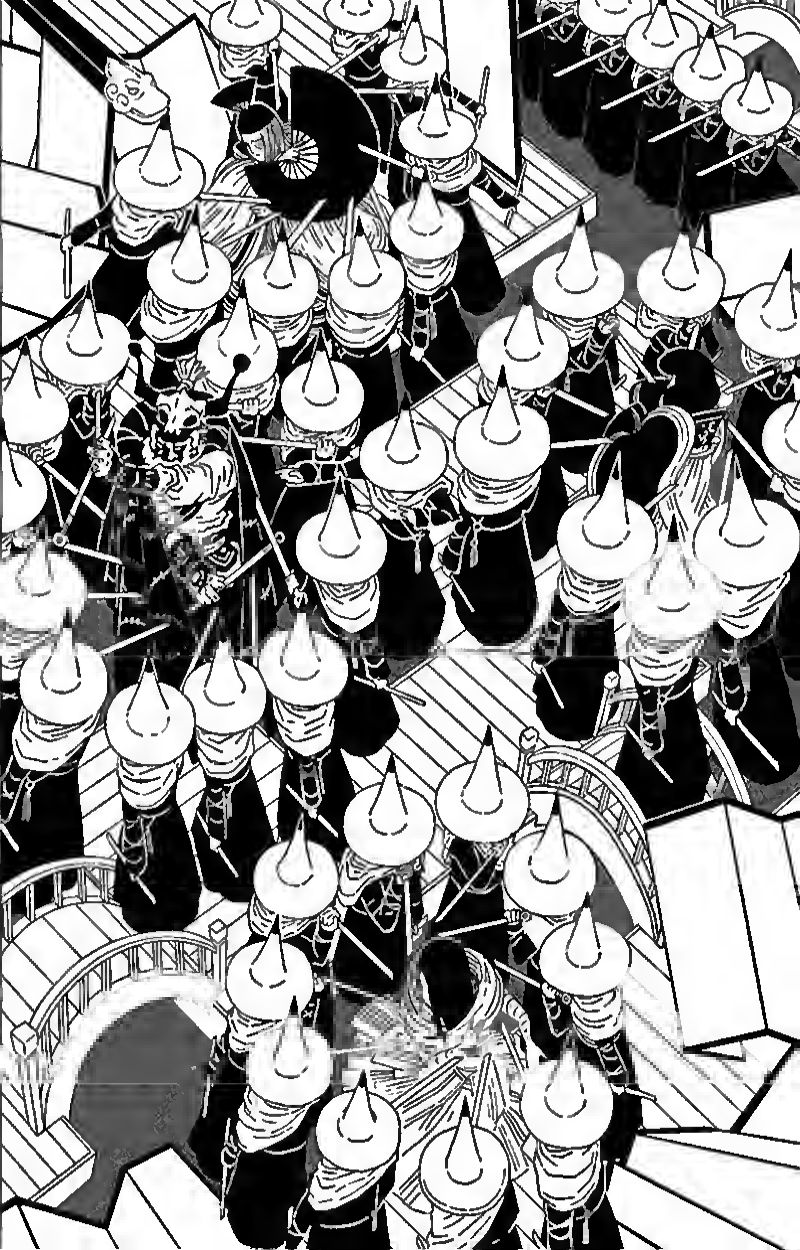
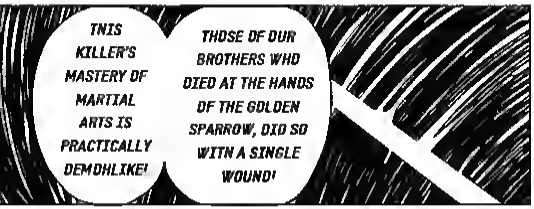
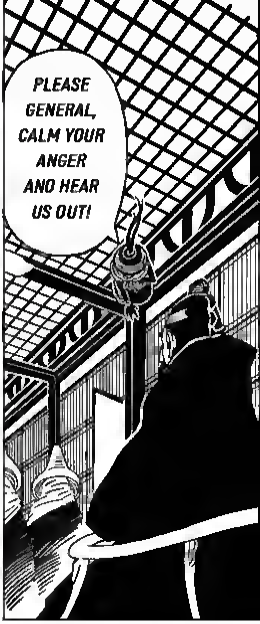



THIS KILLER'S MASTERY OF MARTIAL ARTS IS PRACTICALLY DEMOHLIKE!
THOSE OF OUR BROTHERS WHO DIED AT THE HANDS OF THE GOLDEN SPARROW, DID SO WITH A SINGLE WOUND!

WE LOOK TO YOU FOR FORGIVE-NESS...
EVERYONE WAS PLANNING TO LEAVE CHANG'AN FOR A WHILE TO AVOID THIS MESS.


PLEASE GENERAL, CALM YOUR ANGER AND HEAR US OUT!

ONLY IN THIS WAY CAN WE STILL BE OF USE TO YOU GENERAL!

THAT DOES REMIND ME HOWEVER.
I'M SO MOVED ...

YOU'VE HELPED ME SEE OFF SCORES OF POLITICAL ENEMIES OVER THE YEARS.
AND IT'S ONLY BECAUSE OF THIS, THAT I'VE BEEN ABLE TO BECOME A CONFIDANT TO THE EUNUCH YU.
...!
AND GO FROM BEING A PLAIN HEAD OF A MARTIAL-ARTS SCHOOL TO GENERAL IN CHARGE OF PUBLIC ORDER IN THE CITY!
"THIS AFFECTION SURGES LIKE A RIVER, THIS LOVE TOWERS LIKE A MOUNTAIN, THIS LIFE IS TOO SHORT TO REPAY EVERYTHING."
SINCE THIS IS THE CASE, IT WOULD BE BETTER FOR YOU ALL TO STAY AND KEEP ON UNTIL THE END,
...!

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OR ELSE SIMPLY, OELIVER YOUR GOOO FOR NOTHING HEAOS OIRECTLY TO THE GOLOEN SPARROW!
FEAR NOT GENERAL!
WE WILL FIND YAN PO WITHIN THE NEXT FEW DAYS!

IF THERE'S NO RESULT WITHIN THREE OAYS, WE SHALL PRESENT THE GOLOEN SPARROW'S HEAO TO YOU!
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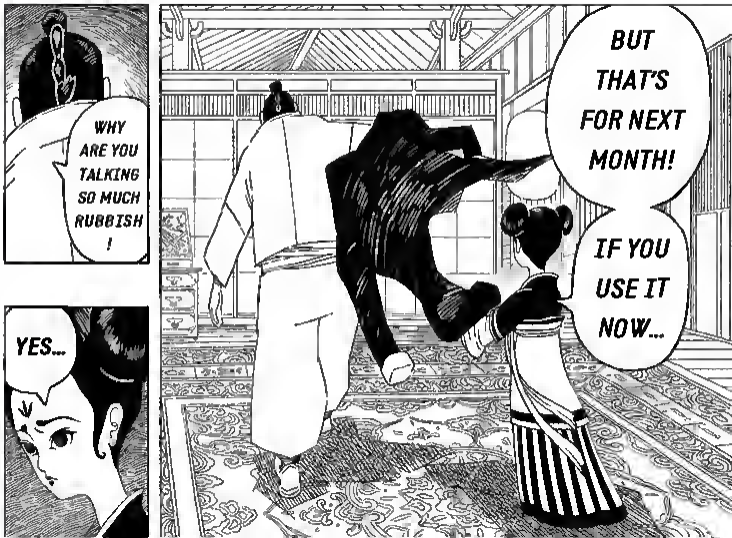
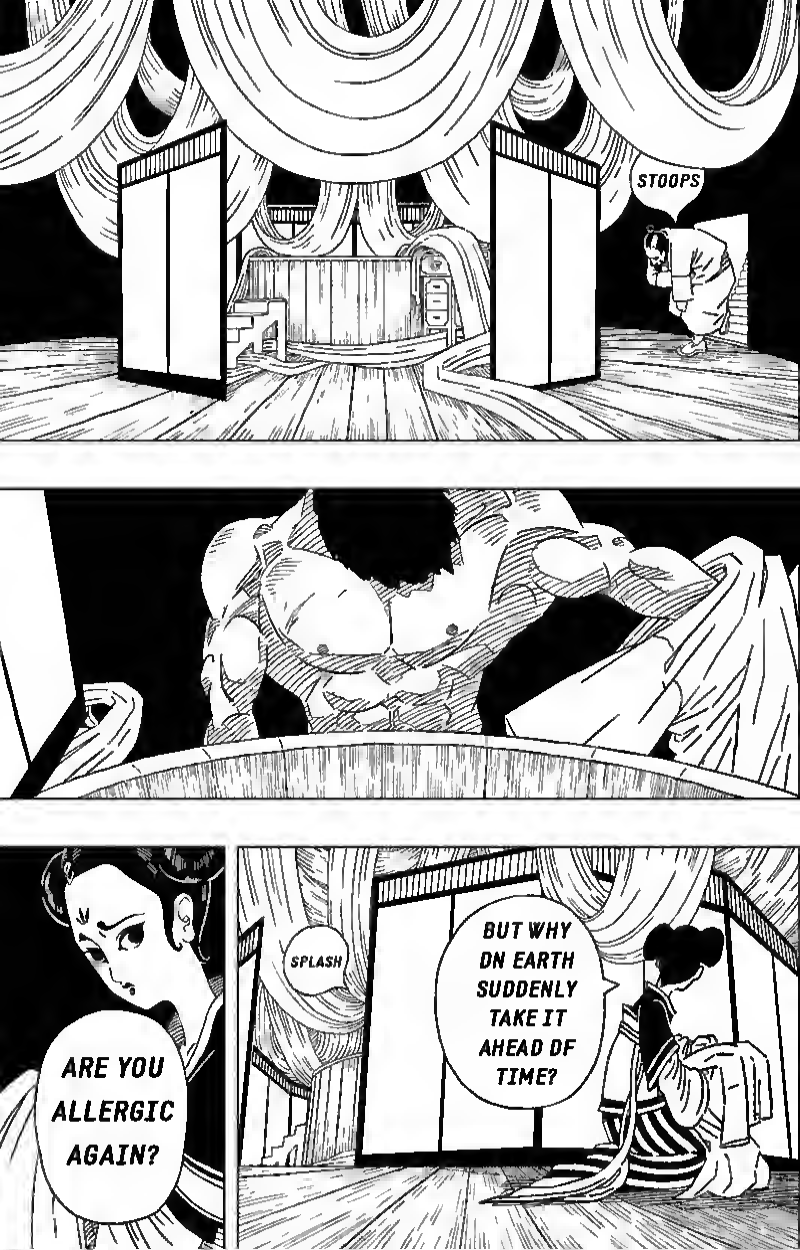
FAREWELL GENERAL!
YOU HAD BETTER ...

A VICIOUS TIGER IN FRONT, A HUNGRY WOLF BEHIND...
FOR-GIVE ME FOR PANI-CKING
WE MAY DIE FIGHTING THE GOLDEN SPARROW, BUT IF WE OFFEND YAN PO, OUR LIVES WILL NOT BE WORTH LIVING
BROTHERS, YOU UNDER-STAND
WE CANNOT FIND YAN PO IN TIME. SO HOW WILL WE DEAL WITH THE GOLDEN SPARROW?
CONVENTIONAL FIGHTING WILL GET US NOWHERE, WE MUST AMBUSH!

The Jinwu General's Residence
TAKE OUT THE MEDICINE
I NEED TO TAKE THE BATH AHEAD OF TIME!
YOU' RE BACK!


WHY ARE YOU TALKING SO MUCH RUBBISH !
YES...
BUT THAT'S FOR NEXT MONTH!
IF YOU USE IT NOW...


STOOPS
SPLASH
BUT WHY DN EARTH SUDDENLY TAKE IT AHEAD DF TIME?
ARE YOU ALLERGIC AGAIN?

SCRAPE
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WERE YOU HURT? OO YOU NEEO NEW MUSCLES?
WELL...
I'VE GOT IT! YOU'VE BEEN PROMOTED AGAIN AND NEED A NEW FIGURE!

WHY NOW? GRAND-MOTHER!
STOP GUESSING! WE MUST LEAVE CHANG'AN AT ONCE!
STEP

VENGEANCE HAS COME KNOCKING!